

who pays, a receipt for them, if required, therein specifying every particular and the charge for it.

§ 7. No costs shall be paid by a person accused on a bill being returned *ignoramus*, nor on acquittal by a jury.

§ 8. The rights, privileges, immunities, and estates of religious societies and corporate bodies shall remain as if the constitution of this state had not been altered. No [ordained] clergyman or [ordained] preacher of the gospel of any denomination shall be capable of holding any civil office in the state, or of being a member of either branch of the legislature while he continues in the exercise of the pastoral or clerical functions.

§ 9. All the laws of this state existing at the time of making this constitution, and not inconsistent with it, shall remain in force, unless they shall be altered by future laws; and all actions and prosecutions now pending shall proceed as if this constitution had not been made.

§ 10. This constitution shall be prefixed to every edition of the laws made by direction of the legislature.

§ 11. The legislature shall, as soon as conveniently may be, provide by law for ascertaining what statutes and parts of statutes shall continue to be in force within this state; for reducing them and all acts of the general assembly into such order, and publishing them in such manner, that thereby the knowledge of them may be generally diffused; for choosing inspectors and judges of elections, and regulating the same in such manner as shall most effectually guard the rights of the citizens entitled to vote; for better securing personal liberty, and easily and speedily redressing all wrongful restraints thereof; for more certainly obtaining returns of impartial juries; for dividing lands and tenements in sales by sheriffs, where they will bear a division, into as many parcels as may be without spoiling the whole, and for advertising and making the sales in such manner, and at such times and places as may render them most beneficial to all persons concerned; and for establishing schools, and promoting arts and sciences.

§ 12. [No property qualification shall be necessary to the holding of any office in this state, except the office of senator in the general assembly, and the office of assessor, inquisitor on lands, and levy court commissioner, and except such offices as the general assembly shall by law designate.]

ARTICLE 8.

Members of the general assembly and all officers, executive and judicial, shall be bound by oath or affirmation, to support the constitution of this state, and to perform the duties of their respective offices with fidelity.

ARTICLE 9.

The general assembly, whenever two-thirds of each house shall deem it necessary, may, with the approbation of the governor, propose amendments to this constitution, and at least three, and not more than six months before the next general election of representatives, duly publish them in print for the consideration of the people; and if three-fourths of each branch of the legislature shall, after such an election and before